REMARKS

The above amendments are made to eliminate multiple dependent claims and associated surcharge fees. Similar claims in single dependent format will be added by a further Preliminary Amendment when an English translation is received.

Also, please <u>do not</u> enter the amended pages submitted under Article 34. This Preliminary Amendment conforms the claims to those considered in the International Preliminary Examination Report.

Entry of the Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee is respectfully requested.

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